


DATE	MASS INTENTIONS	SPECIAL EVENTS	DAILY READINGS
SUNDAY 12/27/2015	10:00 Mass-	NO RCIA TODAY. NO Faith Formation-	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-5 Col 3:12-21 Lk 2:41-52
Monday 12/28/2015	NO MASS	<u>Office Closed</u>	Jn 1:5—2:2 Ps 124:2-5,7c-8 Mt 2:13-18
Tuesday 12/29/2015	4:00 PM— MASS ✠ Jules Jahr by Naplen & Quick Families.	No Bible Study today.	Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6 Lk 2:22-35
Wednesday 12/30/2015	8:00 AM—Mass ✠	No Book of Psalms today. No Holy Spirit Prayer Group today.	Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96:7-10 Lk 2:36-40
Thursday 12/31/2015	4:00 PM – Mass ✠	<u>Office Closed</u>	Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-13 Jn 1:1-18
Friday 01/01/2016 NEW YEAR'S DAY	10:00 AM— Mass ✠ 7:30 PM— First Friday Holy Hour.	<u>Office Closed</u> 	Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21
Saturday 01/02/2016	8:00 AM- Mass— ✠ 4:00 PM—Mass - ✠.	3:15-3:45 PM- Reconciliation	Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 1:19-28 Mt 23:8-12
SUNDAY 01/03/2016	10:00 AM— Mass	NO RCIA today. NO Faith Formation today.	Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

DECEMBER 27, 2015

In our daily lives, we manage our family and work responsibilities. But to become occupied with these important matters to the exclusion of the need of others outside our home or work, is a mistake we could carry into eternity.

NOTE: Please be aware that our bulletin is posted on our website; therefore, any information in the bulletin is out there in cyberspace, accessible to anyone. Please let the office know if this is an issue for you.

Our Mission Statement: To Fulfill Fr. Michael Murphy's dream to be a welcoming community

**To grow in the love of the Lord*

**To follow the teachings of the Church*

**To serve one another and the community.*



St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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Organist

Faith Formation Coordinator

Parish Council Chairperson



Office Hours: 9:30 AM—5:00 PM Monday—Friday

Office located next to the Church. (Closed on all Holy Days and Holidays)

MASSES — *Tues. 4:00 PM—Wednesday thru Saturday 8:00 AM

RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 3:15—3:45 PM (or by appointment)

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES: By appointment

HOLY DAY MASSES: Vigil 6:30 PM, 8:00 AM & 6:30 PM

**see calendar on back for possible time changes*

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULES

***WINTER:** Nov. 1ST to the last Sunday before Memorial Day

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM

***WINTER SNOW DAYS—SUNDAY MASS WILL BE AT 2:00 PM**

SUMMER: Memorial Day Weekend until October 31ST

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM



DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL

ASSESSED GOAL	AMT. PAID	PLEDGED BAL.	OVER/(UNDER)
17,665.69	17,294.08	295.00	(76.61)

Only days left to fulfill your DSA pledge. Our ministries and our parish are counting on you. Any amount over our goal will be returned to the parish for our own needs. **Thank you so much for all of your help in supporting the DSA. You can make a contribution online @ www.charlottediocese.org/dsa. Please designate it for St. Margaret of Scotland #85.**



May God be with you through New Year and fill your life with Comfort, Love and Cheer. May this day and the days ahead, hold many blessings for you and yours. Happy New Year!



We want to thank everyone that had anything to do with our first Christmas Pageant which was an absolute success! Special thanks to Frank Busted, who came up with the idea and directed the event.

Many thanks also to all those involved in decorating the church which looks beautiful and all those involved in the Liturgies of the Christmas Holidays!

GREETINGS FROM FR. DENIS FROM COLUMBIA....

Fr. Denis O'Brien has sent warm greetings to all the parishioners of St. Margaret's from his Mission in Columbia. He thanks everyone for their kindness and hospitality when he was here for his mission appeal visit on the weekend of June 27/28. His sincere thanks for helping the missions of the Irish Pallottine Fathers in Africa and Columbia and the friendly welcome from all. **He asked that we convey his good wishes to everyone for Christmas and a New Year filled with many blessings.**

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Couples who attend Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends not only rediscover the joy, intimacy & romance in their relationships, but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger & healthier. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekends are Feb 5-7, 2016 in Asheville, NC and Apr 29-May 1, 2016 in Chapel Hill, NC. For more information call Joe or Karen Grasso at 828-631-3693.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Katie & Len Adams, R.Allan, Fr. Linus DeSantis, OFM Conv., Thomas Dexter, Elliot Dowdell, Norma Esbenshade, Margie Gundelach, Jasay Ketchum, Josh Ketchum, Nancy Konecny, Billie Lefebvre, Paul Lormand, Jerry LaPointe, Matt Loetz, G.Lydia, Lisa M., R. Mas, Kathleen Mercogliano, Robert Missana, Joseph Orvos, Suzanne Palmiere, Pat & George Pastore, Hanah Cary Rose, Carroll Smathers, Vince Stringfellow, Helen & Tracy Tabacek, Boone Tilley, Olivia Triollo, Connie Vass, Ollie Wells, Barb & Bob Williams, Bella Grace Yarrington, Bruce Yarrington, - **AND ALL THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER. NAMES WILL REMAIN FOR ONE MONTH, UNLESS NOTIFIED OTHERWISE.**

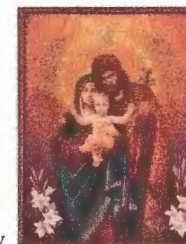
WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY



All newcomers interested in officially joining the parish are asked to call the church office to register.

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTION

We celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph today. This feast was instituted a little more than 100 years ago because at that time, just as today, the concept of family was under attack. Pope Leo XIII, who served from 1878 to 1903, felt that in Europe in particular the family was in crisis.



The Gospels do not tell us much about the Holy Family in the years from Jesus' birth to the beginning of His public ministry. We are aware that they fled to Egypt, returned to Nazareth, and today's Gospel reading tells us of the twelve-year-old Jesus accompanying His parents to Jerusalem. Today we honor that Holy Family, and we understand that they are a model for us as a Christian family. However, there is also an understanding that we need to be aware that we are part of a bigger family, our faith community as a Church and as a parish.

Just as a family unit cannot function properly without each member playing a part, that is true of our local parish family as well. Each of us needs to play a role and to contribute as a member of that family. That is what stewardship is all about. We must be stewards for our personal families to function, and we must also be good stewards for our parish family to be effective.

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